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SUBJECT: IV GRANT FOR MOSES EKPO

1. EMBASSY NOMINATES MOSES EKPO, EDITOR, NIGERIAN CHRONICLE FOR 10-DAY PARTIAL IV GRANT TO VISIT US AT CONCLUSION OF INTERNATIONAL JOURNALISM CONFERENCE BEING HELD IN MEXICO JULY 22-28. PURPOSE WOULD BE TO VISIT MEDIUM-SIZE DAILIES, STUDY PRINTING PRODUCTION, EDITORIAL MANAGEMENT. EKPO ATTENDED JOURNALISM SEMINAR AT WISCONSIN IN 1963, AND WOULD ALSO LIKE VISIT CAMPUS. WE RECOGNIZE DIFFICULTY OF PREPARING PROGRAM ON UNREASONABLY SHORT NOTICE, BUT EKPO ONLY NOTIFIED LAGOS JULY 10 OF HIS TRIP.

2. CHRONICLE CURRENTLY WEEKLY NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED IN CALABAR BUT PLANS TO GO DAILY WITHIN SIX MONTHS AND START NATIONAL CIRCULATION. EKPO FAVORABLY DISPOSED TO US AND EMBASSY FEELS THIS NEW EXPOSURE TO US JOURNALISM WOULD HELP SET TONE FOR GROWING NEWSPAPER.

3. BIODATA FOLLOWS:

FULL NAME: MOSES EKPO

DATE OF BIRTH: [Sensitive Information Removed Per NARA 27 JUN 2013]

PLACE OF BIRTH: UNKNOWN CITIZENSHIP: NIGERIAN

PRESENT ADDRESS: THE CHRONICLE, P.M.BAG 1074, CALABAR,  
SOUTH EASTERN STATE.

ACADEMIC TRAINING: POLYTECHNIC, LONDON, 1965

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PRESENT POSITION: EDITOR, THE CHRONICLE, CALBAR

PAST POSITIONS: NEWS EDITOR, EASTERN BROADCASTING SERVICE  
ENUGU: REPORTER, MORNING POST, LAGOS

PREVIOUS TRAVEL TO THE UNITED STATES: 1963 TO ATTEND A JOURNALISM  
WORKSHOP AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

PREVIOUS TRAVEL TO OTHER COUNTRIES: GREAT BRITAIN 1965

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS: MEMBER, NIGERIAN UNION  
OF JOURNALISTS: NIGERIAN GUILD OF EDITORS.

4. NAMECHECK SATISFACTORY, VISA ELIGIBLE.  
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